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OFFICERS FOR 1898.

President.

HENRY P. WALCOTT, of Cambridge.

Vice-Presidents.

JOHN E. RUSSELL, of Leicester.
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ANNE WHITNEY, of Boston.
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Forest Committee.

WARREN H. MANNING, of Brookline, *Chairman.*
JOHN M. WOODS, of Somerville.
JACOB W. PIERCE, of Brookline.

Free Committee.

JAMES H. HOWDITCH, of Brookline, *Chairman.*
JOSEPH S. NOWELL, of Winchester.
FREDERICK L. OLMSTED, JR., of Brookline.

Treasurer.

D. BLAKELY HOAR, of Brookline.

Secretary.

ALLEN CHAMBERLAIN, of Winchester.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.— The name of this corporation shall be the MASSACHUSETTS FORESTRY ASSOCIATION.

PRIMARY OBJECTS.

ARTICLE II.— The purpose of the Association is to introduce judicious methods in dealing with forests and woodlands; to arouse and educate a public interest in this subject; to promote the afforestation of unproductive lands; to encourage the planting and care of shade-trees; and to establish and maintain a place for reading-rooms, library and social meetings.

MEMBERSHIP.

ARTICLE III.— Any person may become a member of this Association, subject to the approval of the Admission Committee, by the payment in advance of an annual due of two dollars. Any person may become a life member by the payment of fifty dollars. Any person making a gift to the Association amounting to one thousand dollars or more shall be honored by enrolment as a Patron.

OFFICERS.

ARTICLE IV.— The officers of this Association shall be a President, not more than ten Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Secretary, and an Executive Committee not exceeding twenty-five members. All the above officers shall be elected at the annual meeting each year by ballot, and shall serve for one year and until their successors shall have been elected and shall have accepted office.

PRESIDENT.

ARTICLE V.— The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association. In his absence, the Vice-Presidents in order of seniority. In the absence of the President and all the Vice-Presidents, a president *pro tempore* shall be elected by the meeting.

TREASURER.

ARTICLE VI.— The Treasurer shall collect all dues, shall attend to all disbursements, and shall have charge of the funds of the Association, under the direction of the Executive Committee. He shall keep the accounts of the Association, and shall report, if requested, at any meeting of the Executive Committee, the balance of moneys on hand and the outstanding obligations of the Association, as far as practicable, and shall at the annual meeting report in full the re-

ceipts and disbursements of the previous year. His book of accounts shall at all times be open to the inspection of any member of the Executive Committee. His accounts shall be audited annually or oftener by an Auditing Committee appointed by the Executive Committee. He shall be allowed a reasonable sum for clerical assistance.

SECRETARY.

ARTICLE VII.— The Secretary, who shall be also the Clerk of the Corporation, shall give notice of all meetings of the Association and Executive Committee, and shall keep a record of such meetings, and of all matters of which a record shall be deemed advisable by the Association or Executive Committee. He shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, and have charge of all its documents. The records of the Secretary shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of any member of the Association. He shall notify new members of their election, keep a roll of the members of the Association, and advise the Treasurer of the election of members. He shall also be the keeper of the seal of the Association. He shall be allowed a reasonable sum for clerical assistance.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE VIII.— The Executive Committee shall have the entire control and management of the affairs

of the Association, subject to such instructions as may from time to time be prescribed by the Association. It shall fill vacancies in the board of officers until the next annual meeting. This committee shall elect its own Chairman. The Executive Committee shall meet during the second week of each month except August and September. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman or by the Secretary at the request of two other members of the committee upon reasonable notice of the time and place thereof being given to all the members. Five members of this committee shall constitute a quorum.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

ARTICLE IX.— There shall be the following Standing Committees of the Executive Committee, which shall also be deemed to be Committees of the Association: —

1st. A Forest Committee of at least three members.

2d. A Tree Committee of at least three members.

3d. An Admission Committee of at least three members.

The Standing Committees shall be elected and all vacancies therein filled by the Executive Committee.

FOREST COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE X.— (*a*) The Forest Committee shall devise plans for arousing and educating a public interest

in forests and for protecting and improving the woodlands in the State, for securing and maintaining the proper proportion of wooded area throughout the State, for disseminating information concerning the growth, protection, and utilization of forests, and for showing the evils which result from forest destruction; and shall also, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, cause such plans to be carried out so far as possible.

TREE COMMITTEE.

(*b*) The Tree Committee shall devise plans for arousing and educating a public interest in ornamental and shade-trees; for showing the advantages of a proper use of such trees, especially in the public streets, and for disseminating information concerning the culture and care of such trees; and shall also, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, cause such plans to be carried out so far as possible.

ADMISSION COMMITTEE.

(*c*) The Admission Committee shall consider any application made by any person to be admitted a member of the Association, and vote thereon by ballot.

ANNUAL MEETING.

ARTICLE XI.— The annual meeting of the Association shall be held each year on the first Saturday of

December at the rooms of the Association in the city of Boston, or at such other time and place as may be determined by the Association or the Executive Committee.

SPECIAL MEETINGS.

ARTICLE XII.— (*a*) Special meetings may be held at such times and places as the Executive Committee shall determine.

(*b*) A special meeting shall be called by the Secretary upon the presentation to that officer of a petition in writing for such special meeting signed by at least ten members of the Association in good standing.

NOTICES.

ARTICLE XIII.— Ten days previous notice of all meetings of this Association shall be sent to all members. The notice of each meeting shall state the business to be acted upon at such meeting.

QUORUM.

ARTICLE XIV.— Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum.

AMENDMENTS.

ARTICLE XV.— These By-laws may be amended by a three-quarters vote of the members present at any annual meeting or at some special meeting duly called for this particular purpose. The notice of such meeting shall contain a copy of any proposed amendment.

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